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Episode #405A

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Featured pet: **Amazing Mini-Horses**

General Synopsis for Episode #405A

In this episode of Pets.tv, Amazing Mini-Horses, young viewers learn about miniature horses or 'minis' from Maria Arias at the Quick Silver Ranch in Solvang, CA. She states that there is only one breed of miniature horses and they have various color and coats. They are just like regular horses but they only grow to a height of 34 inches. The female minis are more expensive than males because they can have foals. They live to be 25 – 30 years old. The minis are social and friendly animals making them a great pet. Minis are usually not ridden like a regular horse; most are trained to pull carts. Viewers meet Pearl, a miniature horse, and her owner Victoria and learn that minis can be trained to do pet therapy. The audience learns that in the 1600's King Louie the XIV had miniature horses and they became a status symbol. Still true today, many celebrities have miniature horses like former California governor Arnold Schwarzenegger.

Observation and Conclusion

Episode #405A exposes young viewers to facts and interesting background information about the rare breed of miniature horses. This episode of Pets.tv delivers an educational and informational message that supports current social, intellectual and emotional aspects of children ages 13 and up. Attributes and advice emphasized by guests instill a grounded balance of priorities, commitment, and perseverance children can apply to their lives.

Sincerely,



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